

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

The supplement to an act, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named, was read the second time, amended, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Travers presents a petition from Henry Nichols, collector of Dorchester county, to be relieved from the payment of interest on a debt due to the state; referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Henderson delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John S. Maffitt, of Cecil county, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to make the following report.—The petitioner states, that in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-one, he laid a warrant on a piece of land lying in said county, which he supposed to be vacant, and that he paid to the state two dollars and eighty six cents composition for the same, and one hundred and twenty dollars for improvements; that a caveat was filed, and an ejectment brought against him, by the owners of an adjoining tract of land called Colliton, and on locating said land, it covered all of the supposed vacancy, and judgment was entered against him in the ejectment, and the caveat ruled good in the land office. The petitioner prays that the money paid by him to the state may be refunded, and the prayer of the petitioner appearing reasonable, therefore,

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised, to pay to John S. Maffitt, of Cecil county, or to his order, one hundred and twenty two dollars and eighty six cents.

By order, ISAAC HINES, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Steele, Ordered, That the bill from the senate relative to attachments, have a second reading on Thursday next.

The resolution proposed by Mr. Teackle, relative to balances in the treasury, was read the second time and referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion by Mr. Lee, Ordered, That the treasurer of the western shore do report to this house, as soon as may be, a statement of the situation of the different banks in which the state holds stocks, and to which she appoints directors, agreeably to the provisions in the several charters of said banks.

On motion by Mr. Duval, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 7, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to go into the election of a United States senator on the last Tuesday of this month. The term of service of one of the present senators will expire on the 4th March next.

Mr. Worthington offered the following as a substitute:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Jan. 7, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The term of service of the honourable Edward Lloyd, one of the senators of the United States, will expire on the third day of March next. We therefore, propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to proceed to day at one o'clock to the election of a United States senator, to represent this state in the senate of the United States. Edward Lloyd and Ezekiel F. Chambers, are put in nomination by this house. Messrs. Worthington and Henderson are appointed on the part of this house, to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots and report the result.

Resolved, That the person to be chosen shall be a resident of the eastern shore of this state, and that the person having a majority of votes of all the attending members of both houses of the general assembly, be declared duly elected to represent this state in the senate of the United States, and that a commission issue to the said senator, appointed as aforesaid, signed by the governor, as follows, to wit:

State of Maryland, To

Greeting:

The general assembly of Maryland, reposing especial confidence in your integrity and abilities, have appointed you senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, from the 3d day of March, 1825, to the 3d day of March, 1831. Given under my hand, and the seal of this state, this day of 1825.

Mr. Carroll moved to strike out the words "That the person to be chosen shall be a resident of the eastern shore of this state." Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Worthington, the whole from the word "Resolved," inclusive, was stricken out—the substitute was then assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Merrick reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the election of delegates to the general assembly of this state. Ordered, That the same have a second reading on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

Mr. Hope delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry persons of Harford and Baltimore counties, praying for a law to authorise the levy courts of said counties to levy a sum of money to build a bridge over the Little Falls of Gunpowder, at the Rock Ford, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report, — That a law passed in the year eighteen hundred and fifteen, incorporating a turnpike company by the name and style of The Baltimore and Harford Turnpike Company, which law vested said company with full and complete control over the bed of said road, and streams crossing said roads; your committee are therefore of opinion, that it would be an infringement of the rights of said company to pass a law as prayed for by the petition; they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

By order,

ISAAC HINES, Clk.

Which was twice read and concurred with.

Mr. Montgomery presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying the passage of a law authorising the building of a bridge over Deer creek, at William Clark's Ford in said county; referred to Messrs. Montgomery, Norris and Hope.

Mr. Howard reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the First Independent Church of Baltimore county.

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